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ABSTRACT

Three questionnaires designed to measure attitudes regarding homework and the current homework policy in the Belmont Elementary School District are provided. The teachers' survey includes questions related to the district's homework policy (which is included in the instrument), the amount and type of homework they assign, and how they feel about homework. The parents' survey also asks their opinion of the current policy, the amount and type of homework their child is assigned, and what the parent's role should be. The students' survey contains questions on amount and type of homework, how they feel about their homework, where and how they do homework, whether their parents help, and whether their homework is corrected. (DC)

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[HOMEWORK SURVEYS FOR TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND STUDENTS]

Belmont Elementary School District,
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Belmont, CA

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HOMEWORK SURVEY

The Quality Education Committee is reviewing the current homework policy of the Belmont School District. It is interested in your reaction to the current policy and whether there is a need for revision. Therefore, the committee is asking your cooperation in taking a few minutes to fill out the following questionnaire so that it may more properly ascertain the feelings of the community/students/teachers as to the direction this committee should recommend in regard to a homework policy for the Belmont Schools.

The current policy is:

1. There must be a real educational purpose for homework.
2. It must fit the immediate needs of a child. Homework should be properly labeled as to the skills involved. (Example - Phonics - so label)
3. Homework should not be assigned for punishment.
4. Homework should be thoroughly understood by a child before it is assigned.
5. Homework should be explained to a parent in conference.
6. Homework must be checked by a teacher.
7. It should be assigned not more than two or three days per week.
8. Assignments should take about thirty minutes of a child's time.

TEACHERS SURVEY

1. Will you please respond to each item in the policy statement above by filling out the form below.

<u>AGREE</u>	<u>DISAGREE</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

2. What grade do you teach (K-6) _____ School _____
What subject(s) do you teach (7-8) _____

3. At what grade level do you believe homework should begin: _____

4. What do you feel is an adequate length of time for homework in any of the following grades?

Min. per night/Min. per week

K _____
1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

Min. per night/Min. per week

5 _____
6 _____
7 _____
8 _____

5. In your present grade, how much homework are you giving your students?
_____ minutes per night _____ days per week/per subject

6. Check which types of homework you feel are important:

A. Drill _____

B. Creative _____

C. Individualized _____

D. Research _____

E. Other _____

7. Do you feel that homework makes a contribution toward academic performance?

_____ Yes

_____ No

8. General comments: _____

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PARENTS SURVEY

1. Will you please respond to each item in the policy statement above by filling out the form below.

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1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

2. What grade is your child presently in? _____ School _____
3. At what grade level do you feel homework should begin? _____
4. What do you feel is an adequate length of time for homework in any of the following grades?

Min. per night/Min. per week

K _____
 1 _____
 2 _____
 3 _____
 4 _____

Min. per night/Min. per week

5 _____
 6 _____
 7 _____
 8 _____

5. In your child's present grade, how much homework is being given?
 _____ minutes per night _____ nights per week
6. Check what you feel should be the role of the parent as regards homework?
- A. Assist directly _____
- B. Encourage as needed _____
- C. No help should be provided _____
- D. Establish time and place for homework _____
- E. Other _____

7. What type of homework does your child have most often?

_____ assignments not completed in class _____ projects
 _____ new assignments _____ studying for tests
 _____ reports _____ drill
 Other _____

8. Do you feel that homework makes a contribution toward academic performance?
 _____ Yes _____ No

9. General comments: _____

STUDENT HOMEWORK SURVEY

SCHOOL _____

GRADE _____

1. How many days per week do you have homework:
1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____
2. How many minutes per day does it take you to do your homework?
 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour _____ 1 hour _____ $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour _____ 2 hours _____ More _____
3. Do you feel the amount of homework is:
Too much _____ Too little _____ Just right _____
4. Do you feel the homework is helpful to you in your daily work?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
5. Do you have a special place to do homework?
Yes _____ No _____
6. Do you watch TV while doing homework?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
7. Do you listen to the radio or stereo while doing homework?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
8. Do your parents help you with your homework?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
9. Is your homework corrected and returned to you?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
10. Do you think homework helps your grades?
Yes _____ No _____ Sometimes _____
11. What kinds of homework do you feel has helped you most in school?
(Mark as many as you feel are helpful)
_____ assignments you did not finish in class
_____ new assignments _____ studying for tests
_____ reports _____ drill
_____ projects _____ other _____

12. Comments: _____

